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Tender

2324-0071 Flexible Framework Agreement for the Procurement and Management of Nightly Purchased Accommodation

Islington Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-041e16

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Islington Council

London

Email

procurement@islington.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.islington.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.islington.gov.uk/>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://procontract.due-north.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

2324-0071 Flexible Framework Agreement for the Procurement and Management of Nightly Purchased Accommodation

Reference number

DN701694

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Background

The Council had 1,128 homeless households living in temporary accommodation as of 30 September 2023. The purpose of the service is to ensure homeless clients are housed in suitable, good quality, secure and safe accommodation that meets the standards as set out in the procurement documentation. Clients will be supported to participate and engage/re-engage with the community, tackle worklessness and contribute to the local community.

The requirement

To ensure the provision of nightly purchased accommodation can match the demands of the Housing Needs service and promote the provision of high-quality accommodation for the residents of Islington.

The Council has a statutory duty towards under the homelessness legislation as laid down in the 1985 and 1996 Housing Acts and the 2017 Homelessness Reduction Act. The ready supply of accommodation will also allow the Council to fulfil its duties under the Care Act and Children's Act, and offering temporary accommodation to clients who have No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF).

Providers will be responsible for delivering the supply of properties that are local to

Islington. For the purpose of this contract opportunity, the Council defines a local property as a property that is:

- in the borough of Islington;
- located in a neighbouring borough i.e. Hackney, Camden, Haringey; and/or
- is accessible to Islington via public transport with a journey time no longer than one hour.

Our mission is to create a more equal Islington, where everyone who lives here has the opportunity and an equal chance to thrive. We are all at the heart of driving this forward. But it's not just what we do, it's the way that we do it. This is underpinned by four values which spell out 'CARE' and represent what we think public service is all about: being Collaborative, Ambitious, Resourceful and Empowering.

This service supports the Council's objectives to:

- support people experiencing homelessness
- reduce rough sleeping in the borough
- ensure decent and safe accommodation
- challenge inequality

There is no maximum number of providers that will be party to the framework agreement. Call-off contracts from the framework agreement shall follow the terms of the framework agreement including how a call-off contract is concluded. How a call-off contract is concluded is explained within the procurement documentation.

Lots

This framework agreement is not being split into lots as the Council's sole requirement is for providers of nightly purchased accommodation.

TUPE [Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations]

TUPE does not apply to this contract opportunity.

Term of the Framework Agreement

The initial term of the framework agreement will be forty eight (48) months from an estimated start date in March 2024 with provision to extend on one or more occasions not

exceeding a further twenty four (24) months in total.

Call-off contracts and placements from this framework may last longer than the framework itself. The framework agreement will also contain provision allowing the Council to terminate any time on notice either with or without the mutual termination of any call-off contracts entered into prior to termination.

Value of the Framework Agreement

The estimated value of the nightly purchased temporary accommodation contracts that may be awarded by the Council under the framework agreement is estimated at between £0 and £60m over the maximum duration of the framework agreement.

The Council will be under no obligation to utilise the framework agreement. No guarantee is given towards volume or value of work under this framework agreement.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

As the value of the contract is above the threshold for wider advertising of the opportunity, a Contract Notice will be published on Contracts Finder and Find a Tender Service.

The procurement will be conducted in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (the PCR). The procurement is subject to the 'light-touch regime' under Section 7 Social and Other Specific Services of Part 2 of the PCR. Under Regulation 76 the Council is free to establish its own procurement procedure, provided that the procedure is sufficient to ensure compliance with the principles of transparency and equal treatment of economic operators (service providers) and is initiated by a contract notice.

The process that has been developed for this procurement considers the unique nature of this market and has been designed so as to fully utilise the flexibility provided by the services falling within the 'light-touch regime'.

Further details are available in the procurement documents.

If you wish to apply for this framework agreement please follow the steps below:

- Register your company free of charge via the London Tenders Portal.
- Await acceptance. You will receive an email confirming your username and password.
- Use your username and password to log into the London Tenders Portal and express your interest in Contract Number 2324-0071 Flexible Framework Agreement for the Procurement and Management of Nightly Purchased Accommodation: categories 98000000 : Other community, social and personal services; 98341000 Accommodation Services.

Shortly after you have expressed interest, you will receive a second email containing a link to access the tender documents.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

22 January 2024

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

22 January 2024

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12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Islington Council

London

Country

United Kingdom